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Description of Correspondence: Included are:

1- Response to US 10.826,585 Restriction Requirement of 09/19/06

2- New claim set

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Shawn mark O'Hara

Serial No. 10/826,585 Filed: 04/16/2004

Our File No.: IMMC 143

Examiner: Thane E. Underdahl

Group Art Unit: 1651

Response to 09/19/06 Restriction Requirment

For: Multiparameter analysis of comprehensive nucleic acids and morphological features of the same sample

Election/Restriction:

In response to 09/19/06 Restriction Requirement, applicant respectfully requests to elect group I which includes Claims 1-50. In addition, applicant has elected the following.

- 1- Species selection for claim 3, applicant selects immunomagnetic selection.
- 2- Applicant selects claim 6 as a permeabilizing agent.
- 3- Applicant selects aldehydes as the stabilizing agent.
- 4- Applicant selects proteinase K digestion as the enzymatic digestion.
- 5- Applicant selects morphological examining as a phenotypic expression
- 6- Applicant selects nucleic acid as the cytoplasmic biomolecule
- 7- Applicant elects nuclear and mitochondrial DNA as the additional election of a nucleic acid species.
- 8- Applicant elects the multi-gene RT-PCR (claim 31) method of analysis Applicant reserves the right to file divisionals on non-elected claims.

Yours Very Respectfully

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